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In re Application of :
Veronique Barban et al :
Application No. 10/735,064 : DECISION GRANTING PETITION
Filed: December 12, 2003 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)
Attorney Docket No. API-02-14-US :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed August 4, 2006 and resubmitted on October 23, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

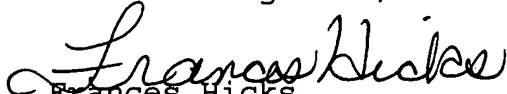
The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed September 27, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on December 28, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on April 24, 2006.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply (an amendment), (2) the \$1,500 petition fee, and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the reply to the non-final Office action of September 27, 2005 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

The file does not indicate a change of address has been submitted, although the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. If appropriate, a change of address should be filed in accordance with MPEP 601.03. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address given on the petition; however, the Office will mail all future correspondence solely to the address of record.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3218.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 1648 for appropriate action in the normal course of business on the reply received August 4, 2006.


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